

O.S.S.T.F. DISTRICT ONE

DISTRICT MEETING

Travelodge, Timmins
May 10, 2013

In Attendance:

Jurgen Brzozowski, J.P. Desilets, Denise Sullivan, Louise Harrison, Bonnie LaCarte, Andre Dumais, Bill McGillis, Derek Beland, Tammy Belanger-Lamothe, Jen Holmes, Kim Kruithof, Edie Sauer, John Toby, Richard MacDonald, Shane Matheson, Kamila Sierakowska, Pat Neimi, Dana Thomson, Thomas Barker, Bill Nuhn, Troy Puckalo, Desmond O'Connor, Tanya Malette, Cathy Loach

Guest:

Regrets: Sherry McNeil, Gerry Culhane, Allison Wallace

1) CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:25 pm by J.P. Desilets, with the reading of the Pledge and the Anti-harassment policy read by J.P. Desilets

Anti-harassment officers for tonight: Richard MacDonald and Louise Harrison

2) Constitutional Challenge:

J.P. Desilets gave an overview of article 1.21 and opened the floor to discussion. Further comment was made that article 6.3 requires a 9/10 majority to be implemented.

MOTION #01-5/10/13

BIRT article 1.21 be struck from the constitution temporarily.

Moved by Troy Puckalo

seconded by Edie Sauer

3) Motion not carried as there was not a 9/10 majority

The TBU Council will convene after the District Council is Adjourned.

Motion reconvened at 7:50 pm. - J.P. Introduced the new positions for the TBU

2) ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

MOTION #02 -5/10/13

BIRT the agenda be adopted as printed

Moved by John Toby

seconded by Louise Harrison

CARRIED by All

3) MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

*Moved by Kim Kruithof of seconded by Elizabeth Tozer
CARRIED by all*

A) Errors or Omissions – Thomas Barker not in attendance, Scott Marshall commented about candidates being endorsed at AMPA – clarified that this was not the case.

B) Business Arising From – NA

**MOTION #03-5-10-13
BIRT the minutes be accepted as amended
moved by Bill McGillis
seconded by Cathy Loath**

CARRIED by all

4) CORRESPONDENCE: * See President Report

5) REPORTS:

A) President - J.P. Desilets *SEE REPORT*****

I) AMPA – letter from Daniel Maveneka (Mayfield Secondary) , Paul Elliot`s response as to why he wants to be president (taken from his website), recapped the AMPA elections by stating the new held positions- President-Paul Elliot, Vice-Presidents – Harvey Bischof and Cindy Dubee, ** OSSTF Memorandum of Understanding highlighted the changes e.g. VLAP, days without pay (Dec. 20 (unpaid), Oct. 11 (now being paid – provincial PD), March 7 (depending on attendance), ERIP, As of April 30, 2013 J.P. Is encouraging members to keep track of their sick and medical days. Bill McGillis said that he spoke with Alana Bradford and the Board is supposed to be keeping track of this. Thomas Mulclair`s visit to Timmins and highlights were made regarding FedNor. Discussions included VLAP and a provincial implementation committee will ensure compliance is followed, discussed Board ONE is not following the MoU but said this would be addressed, J.P. Desilets asked if Branch Presidents could keep track of members applying for VLAP and being denied, Scott Marshall said District 15 is also not complying with the MoU, Scott Marshall discussed pension and buy back, Scott Marshall reinforced that Branch Presidents collect denied VLAP from members and get them to Allison Wallace, Scott Marshall said that 84% in favour of the MoU but uncertain of the percentage of members that were eligible to vote who did, J.P. Spoke about a reconciliation committee will be made at the Board level, Scott Marshall said savings start May 1, 2013 and this is why the VLAP needs to be tracked, documented and sent to Allison Wallace.**

Ai) Vice President-Sherry McNeil –No Report – Sherry sends Regrets

B) Treasurer-Jurgen Brzozowski - ***SEE REPORT*** mentioned results may be skewed due to time of submission. Shane Matheson commented on cheques made to Bruce Sandrin may not have been cashed due to the spelling of his name, Jergen Brzozowski clarified the name on the cheque is correct. Jergen Brzozowski said in 2013-2014 we should be getting an increase of \$3000. Jergen Brzozowski spoke about getting the EIE money to students and submitting the funds spend for rebate.

MOTION #04-5/10/13

BIRT the Treasures report be accepted as presented.

Moved by Troy Puckalo

Seconded by Denise Sullivan

CARRIED BY ALL

MOTION #05-5/10/13

BIRT funds be used to purchase a photocopy machine, toner, and paper not to exceed \$4000 excluding taxes

Moved by Denise Sullivan

Seconded by Troy Puckalo

CARRIED BY ALL

C) **Secretary-Denise** – Thanked those members who submitted their Branch reports via e-mail as a result of a computer issue at last meeting and asked that when e-mails are sent out requiring additional information that a reply and required documentation be submitted to maintain accurate information in the minutes.

D) **Communications Officer**- Tammy Belanger-Lamothe – Website needs to be updated to include all members and their contact information.

E) **Occupational Health & Safety Officer** – Andre Dumais – the Board has been sending Health and Safety Tips to the schools and the information is helpful and covers a large area of topics on a monthly basis. Monthly inspections need to be performed, especially in September. Discussion about chairs regarding who covers cost and Andre will look into this. Health and Safety Training needs to be updated for a few members and J.P. Will look into this. Discussion about defibrillators, who check and who updates the first aid kit. J.P. mentioned that the Health and Safety committee look at replenishing this kit. Who has the responsibility to complete the MSDS sheets – employer to complete

F) **Educational Services Officer** – Andre Dumais - PD Days – planning this year and next year in limbo because of the funding. Conference cancelled. Attended the Educational Services Conference April 26 & 27 new information provided

G) Political Action Officer – J.P. Desilets – No Further Report

H) Occasional Teachers` Representative – Gerry Culhane – regrets – report included

I) **Provincial Executive Liason-** Scott Marshall – discussion about MoU and member engagement. Members were effective with their message to the politicians.

J) Secretariat Liason – Alison Wallace – No Report - Regrets

K) Excellence in Education – Kamila Sierakowska – No report

L) Status of Women/Human Rights – Jen Holmes – Conference May 10-11, 2 representative going – needs e-mails for the Status of Women and Human Rights representatives – she would like to meet with them once a year.

M) Educational Assistants/ECE's – Kim Kruithof – 25 requests for transfers – concerned about these request and wants to implement a group to look at the new roles of members. Many members on stress leave. At Provincial council, Sherry McNeil and Kim Kruithof were declared Northern co-chairs and were the first women in these positions.

N) P.S.S.P. - Sherry McNeil – Desmond O`Connor reporting for Sherry- No Report

O) James Bay Lowlands-TBU – Troy Puckalo – Water issues (flood) Schools remained opened. One staff increase perhaps if no cuts are made. Board and SO relations are going well.

Oi) James Bay Lowlands E.S.S. - Elizabeth Tozer – Regrets – No report

6) ELECTIONS: Led by Scott Marshall
Nominations for Vice-President

Nomination for Sherry McNeil to the position of Vice-President

Moved By Kim Kruithof

Seconded By Denise Sullvian

Nomination Accepted nomination

No other nominations submitted, Sherry McNeil acclaimed the position of Vice President.

CARRIED BY ALL

Nominations for Treasurer

Nomination for Jergen Brzozowski to the position of Treasurer

Moved By Denise Sullivan

Seconded By Kamilla Sierakowski

Nomination Accepted

No other nominations submitted, Jergen Brzozowski acclaimed the position of Treasurer.

CARRIED BY ALL

Nominations for Secretary

Nomination for Denise Sullivan to the position of Secretary

Moved By Jen Holmes

Seconded By Kamilla Sierakowski

Nomination Accepted

No other nominations submitted Denise Sullivan acclaimed the position of Secretary.

CARRIED BY ALL

Nomination for Communications Officer

Nomination for Dana Thomson to the position of Communications Officer

Moved By John Toby

Seconded By Jen Holmes

Nomination Accepted

CARRIED BY ALL

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Nomination for Occupational Health & Safety Officer

Nomination for Andre Dumais to the position of Occupational Health & Safety Officer

Moved By Bill McGillis

Seconded By Jen Holmes

Nomination Accepted

No other nominations submitted Denise Sullivan acclaimed the position of Secretary.

CARRIED BY ALL

Nomination for Educational Services Officer

Nomination for Denise to the position of Educational Services Officer

Moved By Bill Nuhn

Seconded By John Toby

Nomination Accepted

Nomination for Political Action Officer

Nomination for Richard MacDonald to the position of Political Action Officer

Moved By Thomas Barker

Seconded By Bill McGillis

Nomination Accepted

Nomination for Excellence in Education

Nomination for Bill Nuhn to the position of Excellence in Education

Moved By Cathy Loach

Seconded By Derek Beland

Nomination Accepted

Nomination for Occasional Teacher Representative

Nomination for Gerry Culhane to the position of Occasional Teacher Representative

Moved By Jen Holmes

Seconded By Louise Harrison

Nomination Accepted via letter

No other nominations submitted, Gerry Culhane acclaimed the position of Occasional Teacher Representative

Nomination for Status of Women -Human Rights

Nomination for Jen Holmes to the position of Status of Women-Human Rights

Moved By Cathy Loach

Seconded By Richard MacDonald

Nomination Accepted

7) ***NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) Tentative Meeting Dates – Oct 4 & 5, Nov 22 & 23, February 28, May 9 & 10
- 2) Turn-A-Round Days
- 3) Bill McGillis thanked everyone for their support over the last 7 years

8) Awards -

Work Site Representative Award – Diane Sauve

ECE Unit – Chantal Sirois

TBU – Work Site Representative Award

Richard MacDonald

Denise Sullivan

John Toby

Tammy Lamothe – 100% Strike Vote

Kamillia – Excellence in Education

Jen Holmes – Pensions and Benefits

Awards of Merit

Kim Kruitof

Troy Puckalo

District 1 Award

Sherry McNeil - Certificate of Distinction

Len Laurin Award

Bill McGillis

9) ADJOURNMENT: 10:10 P.M.

MOTION #6-5/10/13

BIRT the meeting is to be adjourned

Moved by Kamilla Sierakowska

Seconded by Troy Puckalo

CARRIED by ALL.